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William Celio, Retired Merchant Succumbs

Secret Ballot Thursday In Move To Rescind Strike Vote

Thinking Out Loud

By H. M. L.

Through the Federal Reserve banks, and their member banks, a survey is being made throughout the nation to determine how many small machine and metal shops, factories and foundries are available for making parts of various kinds of defense equipment. It is proposed, in this vast national defense effort to utilize, in so far as possible, facilities that, compared to the great steel, ship building and aircraft plants, are infinitessimally small.

There is a possibility that Grass Valley and Nevada City foundries will receive some of these "parts" contracts. It is well known that the Defense Board in Washington is urging on its major contractors the sub-letting of parts fabrications wherever this is possible.

This proposal should be very welcome to Nevada City and Grass Valley. As has often been remarked we are a one industry community. We are dependent almost completely upon the stability of the gold mining industry. Anything that hurts that brings injury to the 20,000 people who live in Nevada Countyt.

Recently there has been a proposal that a farm advisor be appointed to this county, in order to stimulate interest in agricultural and grazing opportunties the county offers. This is a step, toward freeing the country from its utter dependence upon mining.

Little by little another great resource of this section is being developed by chambers of commerce and public spirited business men. This is one of the finest summer and winter sports and recreational areas in the Sierras. A ski club is being formed. The Nevada City chamber is engaged in a campaign to erect a ski hut in Steep Hollow, which in time may become a great intermediate ski course for beginners, for families and for the younger boys and girls. At present all courses along Highway 40 are overcrowded every week end. This then is another attempt to build the natural resources of the county into a means of living, as an auxiliary to the main show, so to speak, which of course, is gold mining.

Reverting again to the new avenues of revenue, which defense activities offer, we quote from a recent commentator:

"It is an interesting, significant story—this story of big men and little men, huge industrial plants and neighborhood shops, all shouldering arms in defense of America. The large, well established manufacturing plants, for the most part are already going full blast on government orders. But according to present estimates, there are only about 18,000 firms throughout the nation which are qualified to handle defense orders. And the government, to decentralize the production of defense materials and spread the work over as large an area as possible, needs ten times that many. Here the banks of the country are playing a vital role.

"Working in close harmony with the Federal Reserve, local bankers, who have an intimate knowledge of the businesses of their community, seek out firms which heretofore have regarded themselves as too small, or too far removed from big scale defense activities, to engage in defense contracts, and outline how they can be tied into the national production program. Small concerns which require funds for plant en-

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President Olney Donnelly's Ruling Motion Out Of Order Overruled By Close Margin; Nearly 600 Take Part In Balloting On Important Issue

A secret ballot will be taken Thursday to determine whether the strike action of the Mine Workers Protective League will be rescinded.

At last night's meeting, called for the purpose of voting for reconsideration of the strike voted January 23rd the decision was reached to conduct the balloting secretly. The vote will be held at the Memorial Auditorium in Grass Valley between the hours of 7 a. m. and 7 p. m. Thursday.

Walkout Depends Upon Thursday Vote

If the league members vote to rescind the strike Thursday there will be no walkout at eight operating gold mines in the Nevada City-Grass Valley area on Saturday.

If the vote upholds the previous strike action the walkout will take place as cheduled Saturday morning at 7 o'clock.

If the strike action is rescinded another strike vote will be taken, probably Thursday of next week. If the strike is voted down in the second vote after losing this Thursday, the league's negotiating committee will resume negotiations with the mine operators on a 1941 contract.

Donnelly Blocked

President Olney Donnelly of the league sought to block the strike rescinding vote but was defeated in the poll that followed. Of the 585 votes cast Donnelly received 250. Eight of the ballots were ruled out.

Donnelly contended the number voting last Thursday for the strike rescinding action was not sufficient, asserting to call such action it required a larger number than participated in the balloting on the strike vote.

On the chair's ruling the motion before the meeting was out of order and a "dilatory motion to destroy all business that had been transacted before" an appeal was taken resulting in the overruling of the chair.

A humorous note entered into the seriousness of the proceedings when an unknown miner immediately after the opening of the meeting made a motion for adjournment. The motion had no second, however.

The attendance last night was the largest at any meeting since the refusal of the mine operators to grant the league's demand for a closed shop agreement. The attendance did not equal, however, the number participating in the vote January 23rd, when the strike vote proponents won out by a tally of 378 to 311.

The move to rescind the strike began last Wednesday by two North Star miners, Al Thorne and George Pearson. At two mass meetings of non-Protective League members on that day. Thorne and Pearson urged them to join the league and ask for a rescinding vote, stating that was the only legal means to avoid the strike. At Thursday night's regular meeting of the league 128 new members were initiated, enough to carry a motion on the floor for a meeting to rescind all previous strike action.

The ballot for Thursday's voting will read as follows:

"Do you vote to rescind all strike action taken by the league?

"Yes——.

"No——."

Bargaining Agent Vote Tomorrow At Idaho Mines Corp.

Approximately 800 Idaho-Maryland Mines Corporation employees will vote tomorrow on whether they desire the Nevada County Mine Workers Protective League as their bargaining agent or whether they wish no representation at all.

The miners will also vote on a five or six day work week but the outcome will not necessarily be binding upon the company.

The polls for tomorrow's voting will be open from 6 a. m. to 5 p. m. County Clerk R. N. McCormask will supervise the balloting which will be at the dry houses of the Idaho-Maryland, New Brunswick and the Bullion Mines.

Election Officers

McCormack announced today the election officers will be as follows:

At Idaho Dry—Inspector, N. McCormack, Jr. Judge, Earl E. Hiscox. Clerk, William Esterly. Clerk William G. Purcell.

At Brunswick Dry — Inspector, Ralph E. Deeble. Judge, P. G. Scadden. Clerk, Miles D. Coughlan, Clerk, Eben K. Smart.

At Bullion Dry—Inspector, Howard Bennetts. Judge, John Fortier. Clerk, James E. Oliver. Clerk, Carl T. Larsen.

War Pictures Shown At Peace Officers Meet

Latest pictures of the war in Europe were shown by Howard C. Bennetts, commander of the Banner Mt. Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at the meeting of the Nevada-Sierra Peace Officers Association at the Shamrock Cafe Friday night.

The meeting was presided over by A. H. Willard, president. Friday afternoon the peace officers held a pistol shoot at the association's range near the state division of forestry headquarters.

Last Minute NEWS

The authorities of Nevada County were informed this afternoon a Robert Miller, held in San Diego, claims he murdered two men and buried their bodies in the vicinity of the Colfax-Grass Valley road last year.

Offhand the officers could not recall any one by the name of Robert Miller. Sheriff Tobiassen said if the San Diego officers give credence to Miller's story they probably will bring him to Nevada County to point out where the bodies are buried.

REQUEST SKI HUT FUNDS

Secretary H. F. Sofge of the chamber of commerce and Dwight Steele, president of the newly organized ski club here, appeared before the board of supervisors this afternoon in behalf of an allocation of funds for the erection of a ski hut at the Nevada City Ski Course at Omega Hill.

The supervisors took the matter under advisement.

Sofge also presented a resolution to the board, requesting them to adopt it. The resolution urges the California Highway Commission allocate sufficient money to eliminate the Bear Valley grade hazards as soon as weather permits so that future accidents and probable loss of life will be avoided.

Maxwell Residents Visit—

Roger and Ben Pryor of Maxwell, brothers of Mrs. Ed Martine, were visitors at the Martine home yesterday. A trip was made to the Nevada City Ski Course for several hours enjoyment in the snow.

IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES MARK INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS OF MASONIC, ROYAL ARCH LODGES

Ray Worthley was inducted into office as warshipful master of Nevada Lodge, No. 13, Free and Accepted Masons, at impressive ceremonies in the Masonic Hall here Saturday night.

The installation was joint with the installation of the officers of the Royal Arch Masons No. 6. George Carter was installed as the high priest of the Royal Arch order.

150 Attend Dinner

Preceding the installation ceremonies a dinner was held at which 150 were served. The event is the most important in the year's activities of the local Masonic Order.

Masons were present from Grass Valley, Colfax, Truckee, Roseville and other points.

Besides Worthley the new officers of Nevada Lodge are:

John Sbaffi, senior warden; Thomas McCraney, junior warden; Benjamin Hall, treasurer; Joseph Stenger, secretary; W. S. Williamson,, senior deacon; Thomas Lawrence, junior deacon; Cameron Larsen, marshall; B. O. Hamilton, senior steward; H. F. Shaw, junior steward and John W. Darke, tyler.

The Royal Arch officers besides High Priest Carter are:

W. G. Robson, king; William Lobdell, scribe; Benjamin Hall, treasurer and Captain and Host; Joseph F. Stenger, secretary and principal sojourner; Alfred Martin, Royal Arch captin; William Tamblyn, master of the third vail; R. E. Harris, master of the second vail; David Richards, master of the first vail and Richard J. Tremaine, sentinel.

Superior Judge George L. Jones, past grand master, was the installing officer for the blue lodge, assisted by Walter Carlson as marshall.

The Nevada Lodge officers were installed by William C. Ferguson of Roseville. Cameron Larsen, past worshipful master, gave the welcoming address.

Others called upon for remarks were:

Ronald Pascoe, master of Madison Lodge, George Carter, Roy Trathen, high priest of the Grass Valley Royal Arch; Doris Foley, matron of Evangeline Chapter, Eastern Star; Walter Carlson, patron of the Eastern Star; Supervisor Guerdon Ellis of the Tahoe National Forest, Joe Stenger, Benjamin Hall, Ferguson and Judge Jones.

SKI CONDITIONS IDEAL AT NEVADA CITY'S COURSE

The day and weather was perfect for skiing at the Nevada City Ski Course at Omega Hill yesterday and hundreds took advantage of the ideal conditions.

Scores of skiers from all sections of the valley areas enjoyed themselves. A large group of Piedmont Camp Fire Girls also were at the course.

Associate Forester Leland S. Smith of the Tahoe National Forest reported the skiing conditions were also ideal in the Big Bend recreational area. All the ski tows and the chair at Sugar Bowl were taxed to capacity. Saturday Forester Smith counted 2000 people skiing and yesterday there were 1200 people at the Sugar Bowl alone. Approximately 1600 were taken to the Donner area by train and an additional 4300 came by car.

The Evangeline Chapter, Eastern Star, will hold a benefit card party tomorrow night at the Masonic Hall. Refreshments will be served.

Death Follows Operation In Grass Valley Hospital

DECEASED FORMERLY OPERATED DAIRY AND PLAZA GROCERY HERE; WAS ACTIVE IN LIFE OF CITY

William Benjamin Celio, 81, one of Nevada City's oldest and most beloved residents, died at noon yesterday at the Jones Memorial Hospital in Grass Valley, where he underwent an operation several days previously.

The news of Celio's death was received with universal regret in this city, where during approximately 50 years of residence he became known to nearly every one in the community.

Had Dairy Farm

When Celio first came to this area he conducted a dairy farm on the present site of the Nevada County Farm. After approximately 20 years in the dairy business he acquired the Plaza Grocery, which he operated until 1920 when he turned the business over to his son, Gove Celio.

The deceased was born in Jackson, Amador County, on August 17, 1859, on the present site of the famous Kennedy-Argonaut Mine. Celio's parents owned the property at that time.

The life of Celio here has been one of great benefit to the community. He had always taken an active part in the civic and fraternal life of Nevada City and at the time of his death was a member of the local Elks Lodge, Hydraulic Parlor, Native Sons of the Golden West and Oustomah Lodge of Odd Fellows and the local Chamber of Commerce.

Camp Celio Memorial

In 1923 death came to Mrs. Emma J. Celio, the wife of the deceased. **As a memorial to Mrs. Celio, the husband and son donated to the Oakland Camp Fire Girls the Celio Camp at Lake Vera. Since that time Camp Celio has been a source of pleasure for thousands of girls during the summer months.**

After retiring from the active business world in 1920, Celio continued to play an important part in the life of the community. Except for periods when he was confined to his home by illness he almost daily was seen on the streets.

During the past two years he had been in failing health and the operation several days ago was hoped by friends and relatives to correct that condition.

Funeral Wednesday

The funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Celio home on Boulder Street. Father P. J. O'Reilly will officiate at the rites at the Celio home. The local Elks Lodge will have charge of the graveside services.

The body of Celio has been prepared for burial by the Holmes Funeral Home and was taken to the Celio home this afternoon.

The deceased, besides his son, Gove, of this city, leaves a sister, Mrs. Julia Ogglesby of Los Angeles and two grandchildren, Lieut. Gove Celio, Jr., of McCord Field and Miss Katherine Celio of Hollywood. He also leaves many nieces and nephews.

During his last illness and previous illnesses, Mrs. Neva Celio had been constantly at the bedside of the deceased.

PRIZE WINNERS IN SILHOUETTE CONTEST NAMED

The prize winners in the Nevada City Nugget's Silhouette Contest, which opened with the issue of January 27 and closes today with names and addresses properly placed under each of the silhouettes featured on page 5 of this issue, aroused wide interest throughout the county. Scores of extra copies of the Nugget were sold over the counter. The prize winners follow:

First prize, $10—Mrs. Iva Williamson, 212 Clay Street, Nevada City.

Second prize, $5—E. C. Whiting, 115 Colfax Ave., Grass Valley.

Third prize, $2—Mrs. Harrison Randall, Nevada City.

Fourth prize, $2—Mrs. Ed C. Uren, Nevada City.

Fifth prize, $2—Mrs. Ed Frantz 121 Grove Street, Nevada City.

Sixth prize, $2.—Mrs. Elwood M. Stone, 422 South Pine Street, Nevada City.

Seventh prize, $2—Marlin C. Young, 506 Sacramento Street, Nevada City.

Prize winners may call at the office tomorrow to receive their awards.

ELKS TO GIVE MYERS MOBLEY GOODBYE DINNER

Next Thursday evening will be Past Exalted Rulers night at Nevada City Elks Club. All Past Exalted Rulers are especially urged to be present for the annual ceremony and the dinner.

The dinner will be in a nature of a farewell to Myers Mobley, Loyal Knight who leaves soon for Vallejo.

Tomorrow evening there will be a meeting of Past Exalted Rulers and other Elks to make preparations for Thursday's lodge meeting and dinner.

Harold Robinson Seeks Re-election as NID Assessor

Harold W. Robinson, for many years assessor for the Nevada Irrigation district, is a candidate for re-election at the polls next Wednesday. Farmers declare that he has given that impartial, careful service and devotion to his work that entitles him to another term as assessor. His activity covers the entire district and it is largely due his painstaking and businesslike discharge of his duties that the district finds itself in excellent financial health today. Many of his friends are busy making a quiet canvass in his behalf.

LOCAL MAN HAS LEG AMPUTATED

Friends of Walter Weege, well known resident of this city and a shift boss for the Idaho-Maryland Mines Corporation, will be sorry to learn of the forced amputafion of a leg.

Weege had been confined to the Jones Memorial Hospital for several weeks undergoing treatment and gangrene set in, necessitating the amputation.

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Tomorrow Final Day

The hands of the clock are rapidly ticking toward the deadline hour for California's motorists.

Tomorrow is the final date on which vehicle owners can secure their new 1941 licenses without penalty. The amount of your fee can be found on the lower left-hand corner of the 1940 registration card.

If you haven't paid your license fee, you had better do so by tomorrow. It's the deadline!

P. S.—And be sure Nevada County gets credit for your license fee!

Defense Dollars Roll West

Latest figures on rearmament spending show California leading all states in defense contracts—with Uncle Sam pouring $1,135,750,000 into California plants and yards and payrolls. Latest figures on farm properties in California show an increase in sales for 1940 of more than 43 per cent over 1939. Sales for last year, totaling $2,917,042, were nearly a million dollars above the 1939 figure of $2,034,784. Latest figures on department store sales in California show that a sharp gain of the Christmas holiday season of last month over December of 1939 is continuing into the new year, with January promising to excel all Januaries of the last ten years. There seems little direct connection between defense spending, farm land demand, and store sales. But indirectly Uncle Sam's defense dollars, rolling west by the billion, are bringing a welcome prosperity with them—as well as promoting security for all America.—Contributed.

Payrolls For Ph. D.'s

Since its founding the University of California at Berkeley has granted doctorates in physics to 118 persons. Of those, one is dead—and every one of the 117 living is employed. Ful time research engages 16.95 per cent in industry, 8.5 per cent in government, 5.9 per cent academically, 1.7 per cent in astronomy and 4.2 per cent in other fields. The rest, some 62 per cent, are teaching. That 100 per cent employment record refutes the loose and cynical saying that "what's the good of a college education when graduates have only a choice between digging ditches for the WPA or turning the cranks on filling station pumps?" Right now there is a bottleneck in the supply of highly skilled workmen and technicians in national defense. But many personnel managers in industry have reported that there was never an oversupply of men for jobs requiring superior training and intelligence —even when the depression was at its worst. Colleges turn out culls of course, just as sawmills and business schools do. But the boy with brains who gains complete training for a definite place in the industrial world has as good an opportunity for success as his Dad had before him. There'll always be a premium on ability—always be payrolls for Ph. D's. — Contributed.

War of Words

So effective are words as offensive and defensive weapons of war that American newspapers warn readers that European dispatches are "censored at the source." By words used to spread confusion and terror—used as a sort of fifth column poison gas—Hitler has made more conquests than by force of arms. Any by words, Winston Churchill threw up defenses against the spirit of defeatism that held firm while physical defenses against Hitler's bombs were crumbling like sand. Churchill knows his Englishmen, knows them as Shakespeare knew them when, only seven years after the repulse of the Spanish Armada, the poet wrote of

"This happy breed of men, this little world,
This precious stone set in the silver sea,
Which serves it as a moat defensive to a house—
This blessed plot, this earth, this realm, this England."

Obsolete is the channel "moat defensive." But Churchill prepared England for the ordeal of onslaught with his "blood and tears, toil and sweat" speech. And he steeled English hearts—and accelerated the vital sweep of American sentiment that will save England if England is to be saved—with oratory that may be as deathless as Shakespeare: "We shall defend our island whatever the cost may be; we shall fight on beaches, landing grounds, in fields, in streets and on the hills. We shall never surrender. Let us therefore brace ourselves to our duty and so bear ourselves that if the British Commonwealth and Empire last for a thousand years, men will still say: 'This was their finest hour!' "

Abraham Lincoln commanded two million soldiers when he destroyed slavery in a great war—but he said of the power of words: "Public sentiment is everything. With public sentiment nothing can fail; without it nothing can succeed. Consequently he who molds public opinion goes deeper than he who enacts statutes or pronounces decisions."

Hitler has, so far, won most of the physical victories—overwhelmingly. But if the voice of an ideal is greater than the roar of artillery, if "public sentiment is everything," Churchill has gained a tremendous advantage over Hitler in the world-wide war of words.—Contributed.

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largement, new equipment and other facilities, are given all possible assistance. If the local bank can't, for some reason, make the necessary loan, the banker explores every possible channel through which credit might be extended. The bank, too, serves as a clearing house for accurate information regarding contracts and their financing—aids in putting local firms in touch with army and navy procurement officers and other government agencies awarding contracts for defense orders.

"Under this coordinated program, hundreds of neighborhood machine shops are preparing to make essential small parts for the planes; other small manufacturers are producing food, tools, uniforms and supplies. And rural California has really shouldered arms!"

COURT CALENDAR

The following orders were made in the Superior Court Friday by Judge George L. Jones.

Estate of Alison F. Watt, deceased. Petition for probate of will continued to March 7th.

Guardianship of Annie Manion, incompetent. Account settled as presented.

Estate of Catherine F. Sullivan, deceased. Inheritance tax fixed in accordance with report filed.

Estate of Olie Manaugh, deceased. Ordered submitted.

Estate of M. F. Newberry, deceased. Petition to compromise disputed claim granted in accordance with petition on file.

Estate of H. C. Kirtley, deceased. Estate set aside to widow.

Guardianship of Fred Lewis Cooper, incompetent. Second anual account approved.

Estates of Andrew McMullen, John T. O'Carroll, Martin Wilson, and Hattie F. Legg, deceased. Final accounts approved and distribution of estates granted as prayed for.

Guardianship of John and Angello Manzenalli, minors. Accounts approved.

Following matters continued to February 7th: McLean vs. Ellis; Elizabeth M. Brock, administratrix vs. L. H. Condon, trustee; Leslie Cicogni vs. Peggy Cicogni; Edna Burton vs. Ira Burton.

Hirsch vs. Coughline et al. Evidence taken.

Esther K. Richie vs. Joe M. Richie. Counsel fees, attorney fees and alimony allowed.

Beatrice Townsend vs. John Townsend. Attorneys fee, costs and alimony allowed.

G. E. Marquis vs. L. A. Morrison, et al. Trial set for February 24.

Catherine A. Cooper vs. Wm. J. Tonkin. Leave to set aside default and file answer granted.

Estate of Nellie Ducotey, deceased. C. B. Grenfell apointed sole appraiser.

Estates of Fred E. Salisbury, Catherine Ghidotti, Jos. E. Trewren. Final discharges of administratrix.

PAYROLLS AT ALL TIME HIGH

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 3.—(UP)—Employment and payrolls reached all time highs during December, with a 2 1-2 increase in number of employees and a 7 per cent boost of weekly payrolls, the department of industrial relations reported today.

The figures were based on returns from 1,916 California factories.

Shipbuilding plants hired 25 per cent more workers during December than in November and increased pay rolls by 58 per cent. Structural metal work plants increased employment by 20 per cent and payrolls by 36 per cent. The aircraft industry reported a gain of 11.3 per cent in wage earners and 4.7 per cent in payrolls between November and December. Slaughtering and meat packing plants also reported employment increases.

Declines were noted in the following industries: lumber, stoves, confectionery, beet sugar, and fruit and vegetable canning.

Miss Katherine Celio of Hollywood was called to this city by the illness of her grandfather, William B. Celio, who died yesterday. Miss Celio will remain here for the funeral.

RELIGION IN CONSTITUTION OF UNITED STATES

(By Elizabeth Cherry Pateman)

Almost all of the colonies along Atlantic Coast were established in the name of religious freedom; yet, in the entire Constitution of the United States of America there is only one reference to religious liberty. This reference is found in the third paragraph of Article VI which states that "no religious Test shall ever be required as a Qualification to any office or public Trust under the United States." This statement is directed against the National Government, and it should be noted that there is no attempt in the National Constitution to regulate the states in this respect.

There have been very few occasions in which the religious reference has been called into question. In 1930, an appointee to the treasury Department at Washington was asked to sign the prescribed oath of office, which ends with the invocation, "so help me God!" Before the appointee signed this oath, he crossed out these four words, and immediately the question arose as to whether or not he had satisfied the requirements of his appointment. The issue was not forced, however, on the ground that it might be alleged that the address to the Deity constituted a religious test.

In 1940, Secretary of the Navy Edison held that the oath to defend the Constitution cannot be waived in cases of applicants for civil positions whose religious beliefs prevent them from taking arms for thir country.

Supreme Court decisions hold that no citizen can claim a right, in the name of religious freedom, to violate a criminal statute. The religious freedom that was protected by the Amendment, popularly known as the "Bill of Rights" was not an absolute right to follow any and every practice, no matter how harmful to society such a practice might be. Congress has recognized religious tenets to the extent of granting exemption from military duties to persons whose belief forbids warfare. In both the Selective Draft of 1917 and in the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, exemptions are provided.

Counties Receive Funds From Tahoe Forest

Three adjacent counties of Nevada, Placer and Sierra received practically all of that portion of the receipts of the Tahoe national forest that is returned to the state, which, as pointed out by forest supervisor Guerdon Ellis of the Tahoe forest, is 25 per cent of the total forest receipts for the fiscal year 1940. Of the $4,708.56 distributed, Nevada County received $1,003.89, Placer County $1,255.91 and Sierra County $2,300.49. Lassen, Plumas and Yuba Counties received a total of $148.27. Supervisor Ellis also points out that the 25 per cent fund is distributed on the basis of the acreage of the Tahoe Forest which lies in the various counties. With a total forest acreage of 661,626, Nevada County contains 141,000; Placer County 177,000 and Sierra County 323,000; Lassen, Plumas and Yuba have a combined total of 21,000.

St. Agnes Guild To Meet Thursday

The St. Agnes Guild will meet Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Belknap Goldsmith on Nevada Street.

Mrs. Elizabeth Pateman, wife of Rev. H. Thomas Pateman, will give an interesting talk and a large attendance is urged by Mrs. E. E. Barker, president.

After the regular business is transacted those present will participate in the Red Cross sewing program.

OPERATED UPON

Mrs. Shirley Bastian, wife of LeRoy Bastian and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Anargus of this city, was operated upon at the Landis-Lang Clinic in Grass Valley for appendicitis. Mrs. Bastian's recovery is satisfactory. Dr. John R. Topic of this city is in attendance.

Indications Point To Plenty Of Moisture For Farming, Mining

Assistant Supervisor E. L. Baxter and Associate Forester L. S. Smith of the Tahoe national forest staff have just returned from their annual snow course measurement at Huysink. Snow course, located at the head of Big Valley Creek at 7,000 feet elevation. Measurements taken indicate an average snow depth of 115 inches containing 37.6 per cent water content. According to Smith this indicates a very satisfactory condition and will assure plenty of water in the spring for irrigation and mining uses. This snow pack is considerably more than last year, which was but 66 inches with a water content of 33 per cent.

KITE FLYING SEASON NEAR; BEWARE DANGER

Kite flying season will be here soon with the sunny days and brisk breezes of spring. It's an age-old sport for children with a real thrill in it. Grownups like to give the youngsters pointers on how to make a kite and how to fly it. Many schools hold kite flying contests in which prizes are awarded for the most colorful and skilfully flown kites.

But kite flying is safe only when the kite is properly made and when it is flown in an open field where there is no danger of its coming in contact with electric, telephone or trolley wires. Children have been seriously hurt by electric shock and much property damage has been done by kites becoming entangled in the electric circuits.

Because of the danger in flying kites near electric lines, the Pacific Gas and Electric Company for several years has cooperated with city and school officials in educational kite flying campaigns. While kite flying may be a good healthy outdoor sport, children should be taught the rules of safety for their own protection. The company distributes to the school children pamphlets giving instructions for making and flying kites. Posters are also used to give additional emphasis to the six rules of safety. These rules are:

1 Never fly kites near electric or trolley wires.

2 Never climb poles to untangle kites.

3 Never let a kite go over radio aerials.

4 Never build or fly a kite with metal or wire in the frame or tail.

5 Never run across highways while flying kites.

6 Never use tinsel string, wire, or any kind of twine that is made of metallic substance. Use plain cotton cord.

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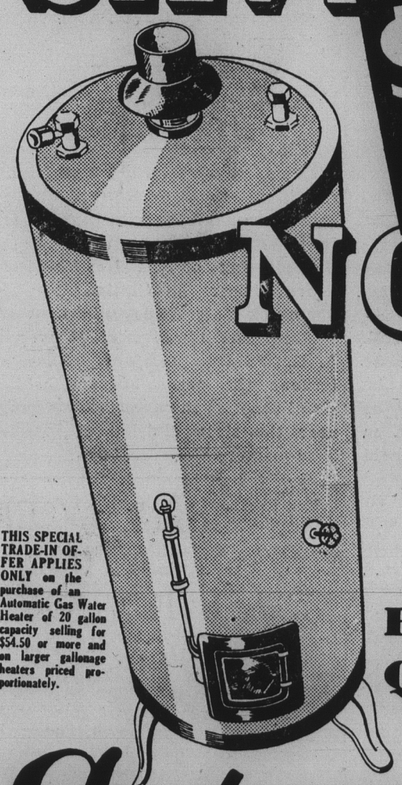
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Tasker Oddie Urges Exemption Of Excess Profits Fee On Gold

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States Gold Is Important In The National Defense Program

(By TASKER L. ODDIE)
From Mining and Industrial News.

One of the most insidious and dangerous pieces of propaganda being carried out in our country today is that inspired by Fifth Columnists, and innocently echoed by unsuspecting and uninformed Americans who do not realize that their whisperings are extremely damaging to the future welfare of every man, woman and child, and industry generally, in our land.

I refer to the threats that the great reserve of gold in the United States will lose part or all of its present value if Hitler should win the war. This great store of gold which belongs to the Federal Government has a total value of over twenty two billions of dollars. It represents more than 75 per cent of the monetary gold in the world.

It is important to refer to a few of the basic features of the gold problem in order to understand its relation to the monetary and economic systems of our country and to our government.

Gold has been the most highly prized and sought after metal for thousands of years. Its inherent beauty, non-tarnishability and the other qualities have contributed largely to its value as money and for personal ornaments since the beginnings of history. During all the ages and down to the present, it has maintained its value and popularity, particularly as the monetary standard of value throughout the world.

It is the only truly international money, accepted in unlimited quantities in every country on earth, where it can quickly be exchanged for goods and services at any time. It is the most liquid and readily exchangeable form of wealth. During the last few years it has been in greater demand by goverments, institutions and individuals, than ever before. This increased demand, and its increase in price in the last seven years have stimulated its production to a large degree in all parts of the world.

However, this increase in the world production of gold will not be enough to meet the normal monetary demands of our country and the rest of the world after the present war is over. Some practical and workable plan for the redistribution of the gold at present in our country will have to be adopted at that time.

The "Gold Prohibition Law" was passed in 1933. It provides that no individuals, banks or other institutions can hold or own any gold, but that all the gold in the United States, with the exception of that used for jewelry and in the arts, must be owned and held by the federal government which, as a result now owns the greatest hoard of gold ever accumulated in history.

Two of the reasons for this great accumulation of gold in our country are easy to understand. One is because of greatly increased balances of trade in international commerce in our favor in recent years, and the other is the vast quantities of gold sent to this country by foreign countries for safe keeping and for other reasons, during the years in which war was threatening the various European counties, and since its outbreak.

I will give a few of the reasons showing the value and importance of gold, why it must be continued as the world's standard of value, and what must be done to maintain its position and value.

Gold is the foundation of our banking and monetary system ,and is legal tender for all debts in the payment of which it must be accepted.

The federal government owns and controls all the gold in the United States, and has given in return for it promises to pay gold dollars on demand, called "gold certificates," most of which are held by the twelve Federal Reserve Baanks.

Our laws state that gold is the "sole standard unit of value," so all paper money and subsidiary coins, as well as goods, services and debts, are measured in value by gold. Gold and "Promises to Pay Gold," by governments and central banks, are used as money in all countries. It circulates as money in all international transactions,e and as the only international money. The value of the greater majority of all paper money in the world is measured by gold.

Our basic monetary unit is the gold dollar which, on Panuary 31, 1934, was fixed by law at one-thirty-fifth of an ounce of gold. This is declared by law to be the "standard unit of value," Thus, the gold dollar is the standard unit for measuring the value of everything. Our United States Treasury is under the legal obligation of keeping our paper money, including Federal Reserve notes, which constitute about two-thirds of our currency, and our subsidiary coins, on a parity with gold. These two provisions of the law constitute "Gold Convertability."

It is generally believed that there never will be found a universally acceptable substitute for gold which will be an international standard of value, as well as the metallic backing and measurement of values of practically all the currencies of the world. Others have been tried and found wanting and abandoned during the ages past.

Gold is, and under any and all conditions, will continue to be, the world's absolute and only standard of value, irrespective of the recent threats of foreign dictators to make it valueless by changing the standard of value from gold to the Nazi New Order of International Trade By the Barter System.

Such a system would be as impossible of fulfillment as it would be unworkable, impractical, senseless, destructive to human welfare everywhere, and totally world wrecking. The ablest economists and financial authorities in Germany have repeatedly advocated the gold standard as the only workable and practical system, but now they must submit to the dictators views.

A world wide substitution of a barter exchange system for the present money and credit system in international trade would mean the decreasing of such trade on which our civilization depends. It would result in the lowering of the standard of living to a condition of poverty on a huge scale in the countries of the world. This suggested and threatened barter system by governments would mean absolute control of economical activities of all citizens in all nations and also the absolute control over price, sales and production. It would mean the end of all freedom and would result in the ultimate slavery of the human race.

Hitler is utterly inconsistent in his severe denunciation of the gold standard and of the money and credit system which has been carried on in national and international trade for thousands of years. As proof of this, he has seized all the gold he has been able to find in the nations he has conquered, as he considers gold the most valuable prize to be had in the world. This is additional proof of the value of gold and the permanent stability of the gold standard.

Our government has exercised extensive control over the gold mining industry in many ways.

It has enacted the Gold Prohibition Law, giving itself the entire control and ownership of all the gold in the country.

It has decreed that gold is the one and only standard of value, and that the gold it owns is the backing and foundation of all our banks, insurance and all other institutions, and that our entire financial and credit structure rests absolutely on it. Also that as future contingencies during and after the war may cause much of our gold to leave our country, a heavy obligation rests on our government, which it has actually and by implication assumed, to maintain and stimulate our production of gold.

Increased costs of gold production cannot be passed on to the consumer, as is the case in other industries, as the government is the only customer and by law takes the whole output of the mines at its own price.

Reduction in gold production costs results in making workable and profitable large tonnages of too low a grade to be otherwise commercally valuable. This results in an increase in ouptput. Conversely, an increase in gold production costs will convert large tonnages of pay ore into waste rock. The results will be a decrease in gold production and an economic loss of large proportion to our country.

History shws that business and economic conditions languish when the monetary gold stocks of the world have become inadequate to carry all the currency and credit burdens imposed on them. Also, that panics and depressions in the past have been tempered and brought to an end by large increases in gold production.

Various countries in the wold have in the past taken steps to aid their gold mining industries and always with great benefits to their financial and economic status. Our country has done the same in various ways, and with very beneficial results.

As the future of our country is beset with hazards because of the war, we must proceed promptly to "put our house in order."

In the days ahead, we will be obliged to lose some of our huge store of gold, for our own benefit and for that of other countries. How much, we cannot at present predict. This will make it imperative that we maintain and stimulate our gold production.

This problem is so closely connected with the very life of our government, its monetary and credit structure, that it has become a government obligation to encourage and stimulate an increased production of gold, and to render encouragement and aid to the gold mining industry in every consistent manner at its command.

A serious menace and drawback to our mining industry lies in the damaging and destructive federal and state taxes imposed on it. Some of these, like the Excess Profits Tax in particular are tending to discourage and retard the development of new gold producing properties, as well as those in operation. Furthermore, costs of mining are liable to increase because of war conditions and therefore taxation on the industry should be decreased or eliminated entirely.

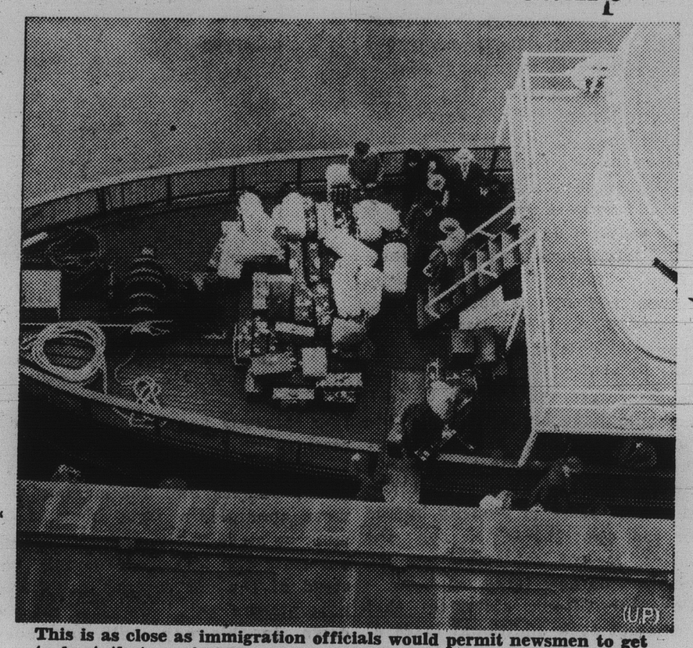
The gold industry in the United States began a campaign to obtain temporary congressional relief in 1918. For twelve years, from 1921, I was privileged to participate in this movement as its leader in the United States Senate. Among the results obtained were indirect assistance granted in 1922 in the form of exemption from excess profit taxes, and in creating the senate Commission of Gold and Silver Inquiry, whose research assisted materially in maintaining and improving the monetary position and status of both gold and silver.

It is my understanding that in the legislation passed during the last session of congress, gold was at first included in the list of strategic metals to be exempted from the excess profits tax but that at the last minute gold was eliminated from this list through a minsunderstanding of some kind.

As gold is as important as anything we know of in the National Defense program, and as there is an obligation on our government to stimulate this industry and bring about a larger production of gold, there is also an obligation on it to prevent serious harm from coming to it, and to render it the aid it needs by exempting it from the excess profits tax.

This is as necessary, important and far sighted a step as our government can take in carrying out our national defense program, and in making our country strong and safe during trying days ahead and in the difficult world reconstruction period which will follow the war.

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NOW IS TIME TO CUT TAXES SAYS TAX ASSOCIATION

By RALPH H. TAYLOR

Since the word has gone out that no attempt will be made to levy new taxes, or increase existing taxes, at the current session of the state legislature, there might be a disposition on the part of the man on the street—and the man on the farm—to breathe a sigh of relief and abandon the legislature to its own devices.

On second consideration, however, any thoughtful citizen will undoubtedly see the folly of that policy. Exhorbitant taxation is not the only threat to the individual's security and welfare, even though it is one of the most dangerous. There are many other issues which require "eternal vigilance" — and some of these are now on the docket at Sacramento and will be discussed in subsequent articles.

But it is highly important at this time that every taxpayer in California should have an intelligent, sober understanding of the burdens he and his neighbors must assume—and that no one should be lulled into a false sense of security by the mere fact that the state, for the moment, is not contemplating the imposition of new taxes.

Governor Olson's statement that he will not seek additional taxes at this time may have been due, in part, to the fact that the bi-partisan economy bloc in the legislature has successfully resisted all new tax levies for two years past and would probably be able to do so again. But the detemining factor, undoubtedly, was that state revenues from existing tax sources are increasing by leaps and bounds, due to the national defense program, and there will likely be an abundance of cash in state valuts so long as the federal government continues with its vast program of rearmament. Federal taxes to finance defense operations will be staggering, however—and California will bear its full share of the burden.

Without in any sense detracting fom the accomplishments of the legislative economy bloc, which did a splendid piece of work in cleaning up the SRA and chopping off needless expenditures, the fact remains that state taxes have not been reduced. The enactment of new tax measures has simply been prevented. And with state income skyrocketing, as a consequence of the "defense boom" the individual taxpayer is paying the state many more dollars than before, even though no new tax levies have been imposed.

And federal taxes, in all probability, will shortly soar to levels that will make the present load seem light by comparison!

The California Taxpayers Association correctly anaylzed the situation recently when it stated:

"With tax demands to pay for national defense and rearmament almost upon us, a right about face must be made in the expenditures of our state and local governments. Instead of the net revenue of these governments going up, it must go down. In this way, only, our governments in California can take up, at least in part, the remendous burden which the cost of national defense and rearmament must place upon the people."

And the State Chamber of Commece, reporting with similar findings said:

"Every effort to restrict state expenditures releases to just that extent additional abilities of the state tax base to play its full part in financing national defense activities. On the other hand, the combined strain of rapidly expanding national defense tax demands and unrestricted state tax demands might readily add up many more hundreds of business enterprises in California to the non-profitable group. This is simply killing the goose that lays the golden eggs."

It is to be hoped that the legislature, at its 1941 session, will not be content simply to prevent the levying of new taxes. It should take constructive action to reduce state spending and, if possible, state taxes. It could perform no greater patriotic service in a period when real patriotism—constructive, hard-headed patriotism—is sorely needed.

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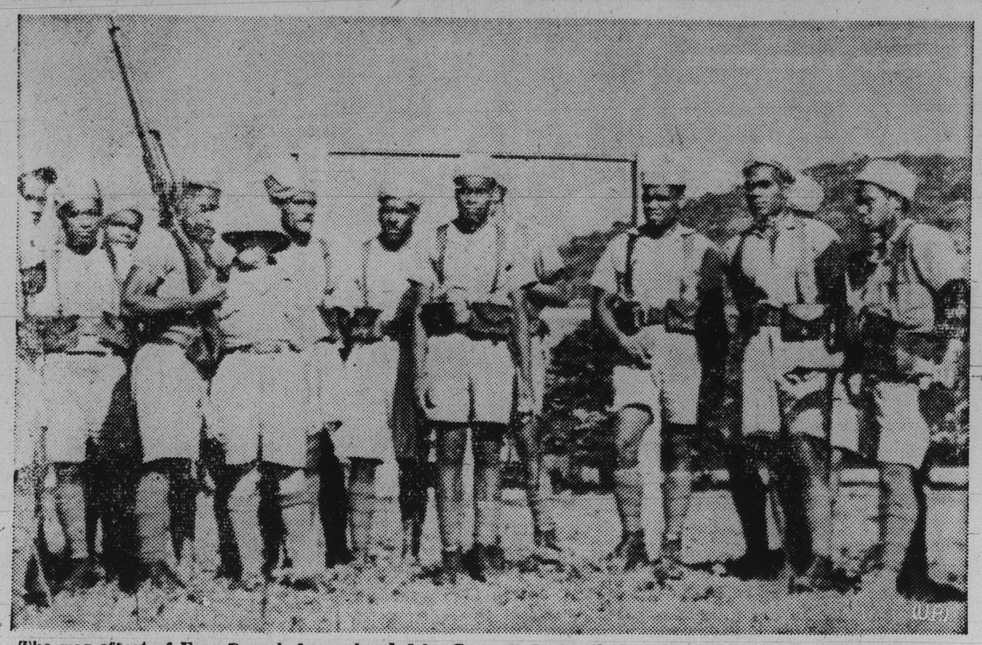
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WOMEN FINDING JOBS AS RESULT OF U. S. DEFENSE

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 3.—(UP)—An increasing number of women are seeking employment and finding it as a result of the defense industry boom in California the department of employment reported today.

During 1940, 107,406 women were found jobs by the department, it reported to Gov. Olson. This represented a 7 per cent increase over 1939. At the same time women constituted 32 per cent of all persons seeking work compared to 27 per cent in 1939.

Practically all placements of women were in private employment, the department said, reflecting a shortage of skilled labor in many lines of work connected with defense industry construction. Skilled male workers are transferring to these new industries, leaving many openings for women in less skilled jobs.

Because indications point to an "acute shortage" of skilled labor within the next six months, the department is conducting a widespread publicity campaign to register men qualified for these jobs. Ten thousand posters have been distributed throughout the state requesting the workers to contact local offices of the department of employment before migrating in search of defense work.

Woman Given Suspended Sentence On Battery Charge

Hazel Nettles was given a six months suspended sentence by Justice of the Peace George Gildersleeve when she appeared before him Friday on a charge of battery.

The complaint aaginst Mrs. Nettles was signed by Dollie Trujillo. An argument involving child reportedly led to Mrs. Nettles striking the complaining witness in the face.

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Old Dobbin No Longer Mode Of Transportation In Snow

"Old Dobbin" has been replaced by machinery in the snow covered parts of the Tahoe national forest, according to Guerdon Ellis, supervisor of this winter sports playground.

Ellis states that a recent survey of that part of the Tahoe forest along Highway 40 shows more ski lifts than probably exist in any similar winter recreation area in the United States. Ski tows, J-bars and chair lifts represent a wide assortment of devices serving skiers each day of the winter season. Ropes, shieves, cables, headframes and motors of many descriptions have been assembled and rigged to serve the skier all along Highway 40 between Emigrant Gap and the Donner Summit.

"It is a good thing 'Old Dobbin' has been retired," Ellis says, "since any horse in this popular recreation area would have to be quite agile or get run over by skiers." Last week end there were 13 rope tows, 2 J-bars and one chair lift operating full blast on the ski slopes and people were waiting in line at many places. Ellis estimates that over $100,000 has been invested in various types of ski lifts yet all this equipment is taxed to the limit by peak Sunday crowds.

While peak crowds do tax ski lift facilities along the Highway 40 area, it is pointed out by Ellis that maximum use of such facilities could well be secured where skiers arrange to do their skiing on week days. An average crowd of 5,000 skiers can be expected to overload the lifts but From Monday to Friday only about 300 skiers per day will be found in this area. Saturday afternoons run fairly high but the crowds do not yet utilize all lifts completely.

There is, however, a decided advantage in mid-week skiing. Open slopes afford carefree skiing without the constant danger of running into other people on the hill. Instructors are not over loaded with work and have more time to devote to instruction. More progress is generally made by the individual skier where plenty of elbow room is available. A ski lift can always be found in operation.

Due to many inquiries as to location of ski lifts received by the forest service, the following summary of these facilities on the Tahoe national forest has been prepared

Highway 40 area. At the Sugar Bowl there are two rope tows and the giant chair lift. At Soda Springs two rope tows and a J-bar are operated. At Donner Summit, opposite Vanderford's, two rope tows are located. To the south of the Donner Summit maintenance station a long rope tow will be found simply by following the Sierra Crest ski trail markers to the edge of Lake Mary.

At the Southern Pacific station at orden a rope tow has been recently installed, mainly for use of patrons of snow train specials, though open to the public. The Sierra Club maintanns a double tow about 1-2 mile north of U. S. 40 but club members usually tax this improvement to the limit.

Below Soda Springs, the next lift is found at Rainbow Tavern which is of the J-bar type and located directly back of the hotel. The Auburn Ski club has moved its rope tow to a new location, still on the club ground, but which affords a much better down hill run this year. Cisco Grove has a new rope tow recently put in operation opposite the resort.

At the forest service hill at Yuba Gap, 4 miles east of Emigrant Gap, a rope tow has been constructed this season. Pioneer Camp, 1 mile east of Emigrant Gap, runs a popular rope tow.

Lake Tahoe area: A rope tow will be found near Tahoe City.

Yuba Pass Highway: Above Downieville at Chapman Creek snow playfield a rope tow.

Friends And Relatives Bid Farewell Here To Military Training Selectees

Friends and family members gathered at the courthouse here early Saturday morning to bid farewell to the 24 military training selectees who left for a year's service.

The selectees were taken by bus to Sacramento, where they were assigned to various camps throughout the nation.

Nevada County's quota for the next call has been placed at thirty.

Supervisor Guerdon Ellis of the Tahoe national forest was called to Sacramento Friday on business.

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Spring Street Phone 10
Nevada City

Husband's Dinner Plans Being Made By Civic Club

An executive meeting of the Nevada City Civic Club will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of the President Sawyer.

Plans will be discussed for the annual husband's dinner, which will be held at the Methodist Church on February 11th.

Comitttees to handle the husband's dinner arrangements will be named tomorrow afternoon.

SKI CLUB ORGANIZED HERE; ANOTHER MEETING TO BE HELD AT NATIONAL FRIDAY NIGHT

The Nevada City Ski Club got off to a good start at its initial meeting Friday night in the National Hotel and another gathering will be held this coming Friday night at the hotel

Dwight Steele, who was elected president of the organization and Thomas O. McCraney, treasurer, report more than 30 have paid dues as members of the club for one year. There are no restrictions to memberships.

For Friday's meeting the officers are attempting to obtain ski movies and will probably have a professional ski teacher present to speak.

Plans will be completed Friday night also to entertain the members of the Tahoe Pacific Highway 20 Association, which will meet here on February 15th.

Besides President Steele and Treasurer McCraney the officers elected were Dr. John R. Topic, vice president; Mrs. Walter O. St. John, secretary and Leland S. Smith and C. B. Joyner directors. A third director will be selected Friday night.

Steele and McCraney are to speak to the students of the local high school this week in an effort to interest them into joining the organization. The fee will be 50 cents for school students.

The members of the ski club to date are:

Charles Brown, Nancy Jones, Ted LeMaire, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Innis, Martha Innis, Mary Innis, Phyllis Horn, Fred Garrison, C. B. Joyner, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Steele, Mr. and Mrs. Morton White, Mr. and Mrs. Walter St. John, Walter St. John, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kemper, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. O. McCraney, James McCraney, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Worth, Walter A. Carlson, Clyde Gwin, J. M. McQuaid, T. O. McCraney.

What Draft? Man Found Who Knows Nothing Of Registration

This is a bad advertisement for Nevada County newspapers but nevertheless it is a pretty good story.

Charles Jackson Deaton, Jr., 23, who had been mining in the mountainous regions of Nevada County walked into a marine corps recruiting station in San Diego for the purpose of "joining up."

"We ought to be able to take care of you, remarked Recruiting Sergeant Hrary F. Gadsby. "Let's see your draft registration card."

"Draft what? Draft Who? What's that you say?"

"Your draft registration card—say buddy, didn't you sign up for the draft?" Sergeant Gladsby squinted suspiciously.

"I know about social security cards and meal ticket cards and identification cards but what is this draft you're talking about?" Deaton inquired, unblinkingly.

"Where have you been the last few months," Gadsby asked. Didn't you know you were suposed to sign up for the draft? Come on, where were you? Up in the hills or some place?"

"Yep, that's just where I was up in Nevada County and the gold I thought was there just didn't pan out," Deaton answered.

In all the time he worked the streams in Nevada County Deaton said he did not see a newspaper and knew nothing of the requirement for men to register between the ages of 21 and 35.

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50c Puretest Rubbing Alcohol —pint and 49c Puretest Aspirin Tablets (100) —

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THE Rexall DRUG STORE

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When shopping mention the Nugget. ads.

MYERS MOBLEY TO SOON LEAVE FOR VALLEJO

The scores of friends of Myers Mobley, popular in local fraternal circles, are sorry to learn he will be leaving this city soon.

Mobley has accepted a position in a pharmacy in Vallejo. He and Mrs. Mobley intend to leave about February 10th.

Myers has been employed at the Dickerman Drug Store for the past several years and has been especially active in the local Elks Lodge.

Mrs. Mobley took an active part in the activities of the Nevada County Golf Association and during her comparative short residence here has won many friends.

The couple do not expect to sever their permanent connections with Nevada City, hoping to visit friends and relatives here often.

Forest Officers Attend "Ski Revival" Meet On Bald Mountain

Supervisor Guerdon Ellis and Engineer Mitchell of the Tahoe National Forest are in Downieville today to confer with the Sierra County Board of Supervisors. They will return tomorrow.

Yesterday the two forest service officials attended a "ski revival" at Forest. Civic leaders of Forest and Alleghany who seek to promote interest in the snow sports advantages in that area which they declare equal to any in the state, sponsored the revival of the sport on Bald Mountain, upon which one of the first ski courses in the west is believed to have been established.

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

HUNNICUTT — In Nevada City, February 2, 1941, to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Honnicutt, a daughter.

DEATH

CELIO—In Grass Valley, February 2, 1941, William Benjamin Celio of Nevada City, father of Gove Celio of Nevada City, grandfather of Miss Katherine Celio of Hollywood and Lieut. Gove Celio, Jr., of McCord Field, brother of Mrs. Julia Oggleby of Los Angeles; a native of Jackson, resident of Nevada City 50 years, aged 81 years. The funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock at the Celio home on Boulder Street Wednesday under the direction of the Holmes Funeral Home. Graveside services will be by the Nevada City Elks Lodge.

LUTHER—In Grass Valley, February 1, 1941, Mrs. Anna Luther, widow of John B. Luther, mother of Miss Mathis Luther and Lawrence Neass of Grass Valley; a native of Michigan, resident of Nevada County 28 years, aged 64 years. The funeral services were held today in Grass Valley under the direction of the Hooper-Weaver Mortuary.

Notice!

Members of the Mine Workers Protective League:

A vote will be taken on Thursday, February 6th to rescind all strike action taken by the league.

The ballot will read:

Do you vote to rescind all strike action taken by the league?

Yes.

No.

Olney Donnelly, President.

Ed J. Jones, Recording Secretary.

NEVADA COUNTY MINE WORKERS PROTECTIVE LEAGUE.

Nevada Theatre

SUNDAY AND MONDAY

Bittersweet Jeanette McDonald and Nelson Eddy in a great new technicolor hit. There are new songs, new dances in this Ziegfeld show and romance, immortalized on the screen. Noel Coward originally wrote the play, the music and the lyrics.

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY

Tugboat Annie Sails Again This is probably the most interesting of the movies filmed about Tugboat Annie, one of the most popular characters of modern fiction. Marporie Rambeau portrays Tugboat Annie in fine style. The supporting cast includes Alan Hale and Jane Wyman.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

South of Suez George Brent and Brenda Marshall co-star in this epic, one of the best pictures of the year.

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For real comfort — trust a Circulating Heater! It warms up *fast* — then circulates its clean, uniform, healthful warmth to every corner. At low cost, too — especially when you give it economical, no-waste Standard Stove Oil. Dependable. Thrifty. Simple to operate. Install one today.

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REMNANTS. TIE-BACK CURTAINS, PANELS, ETC. (ALSO LADIES' COATS, DRESSES, SWEATERS, BLOUSES NOTE: NO APPROVALS, NO EXCHANGES, NO REFUNDS, NO TO CALLS. ALL SALES FINAL.)

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Incomplete Size Range SILK HOSIERY Value to $1.35 Now 59c pair	All Wool BOOT SKATE SOX Wool Toque Now Save 20%	Children's Tuck Stitched VESTS AND PANTIES NOW 25c EACH	Children's Nainsook UNION SUITS Incomplete Size Range Now 25c each	ECRU LACE PANELS Only one or two of a kind. Now ½ Price	LADIES' DRESSES One Lot Ladies' Dresses— Now ½ Regular Price All Sales Final
FABRIC GLOVES Incomplete Size Range Seasonable Colors 98c values—79c pair	One Lot LADIES' NECKWEAR Slightly Soiled Now 25c each	One Lot Ladies' and Children's BALBRIGGAN PAJAMAS Now ½ Regular Price	TOM SAWYER SWEAT SHIRTS Now 39c each	Ladies' Tuck Stitched VESTS AND PANTIES Now 20% Regular Price	LADIES' BLOUSES Ladies' Blouses now 20% Less Regular Price All Sales Final
PRINCESS SLIPS Limited Number Incomplete Size Range Now 69c each	LADIES' PURSES $2.95 values ..... now $1.95 $1.95 values ..... Now $1.56 $1.00 values .....now 79c ea.	One Lot Ladies' Silk and Rayon Vest Panties Now ½ Regular Price	Odds and Ends Bucilla EMBROIDERY WORK Now ½ Price	LADIES' FANCY APRONS Now Less 20%	LADIES' SWEATERS All Ladies' Sweaters now Less 20% Regular Price All Sales Final
CHILDREN'S ANKLE SOX Values up to 25c pair Now 10c pair	ALL KINDS OF REMNANTS NOW ½ REGULAR PRICE	One Lot Ladies' FANCY BRASSIERES Now 20% Regular Price	Infants' Flannelette PAJAMAS Now ½ Price	BATH TOWELS While They Last 25c value ..... 19c each 39c value ..... 29c each 49c value ..... 39c each 65c value ..... 49c each	OIL SILK RAIN COATS To Close Out at $1.00 each All Sales Final

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